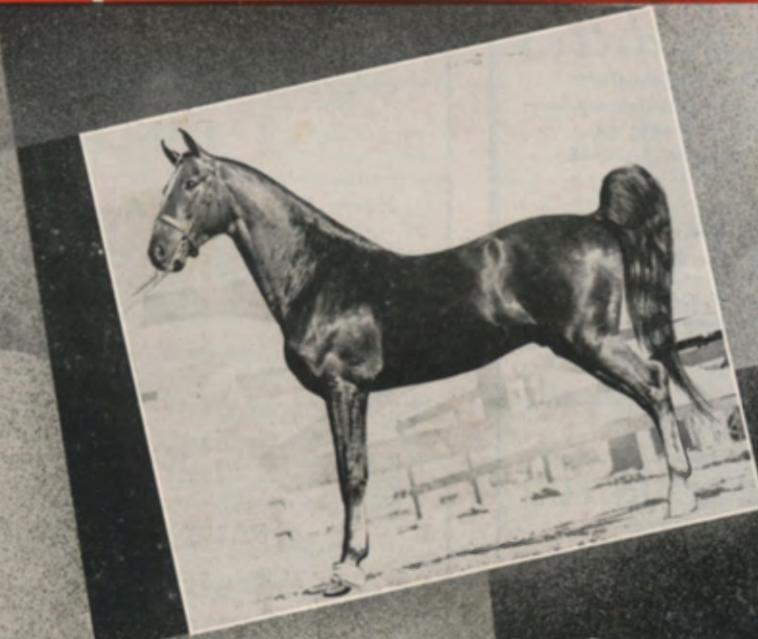




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At the bottom of the cover page is Stormy, a red roan, 15 hand, registered quarter Horse which is holding court at the Piedmont Stables.

Stormy was sired by the top rodeo horse, Tack, who was sired by Pickpocket, another champion. His dam was a good roping and Quarter racing mare by Pluto.

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Advertised in this issue are also a Morgan and Pinto stallion. Morgan 41, is the registered name of the chestnut Morgan stallion, nicknamed Poncho, which stands at Roy Schoonover's stable, 755 Altura Place, Oakland.

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He is standing at the stable of his owner, Heber James Brown at 1100 Landvale Road, Oakland.

**SEE STALLION ADS
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NEXT BOARD MEETING & OPEN FORUM

Date: Thursday, March 4, 1948

Time: 8:00 P.M.

Place: Woodminster Amphitheatre Bldg.

M.H.A. Activities

RESULTS OF QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE DISCUSSED AT FORUM

The first quarterly Open Forum meeting of M.H.A. members will be held on Thursday, March 4, at Woodminster Amphitheatre club house, at 8 p.m. Every member is urged to attend.

Your votes on the questionnaire sent out by Ted Dreyer have been tabulated, and the results will be presented at the meeting.

Come and find out how your fellow members voted on the horse show, what they thought of raising dues, how they rated the Trail Blazer, what trails they wanted improved, etc.

Members of the Horse Show Committee, appointed by Mr. Ted Dreyer, have held two meetings, and will make a report of their findings at the Open Forum. Their decisions are based on your suggestions in the questionnaire.

The Horse Show Committee selected Don Marquis as their chairman. He is being assisted by Roy Fefley, Irvin Hansen, Charles A. Logue, Jim Myers, and Don Schwimley.

The meeting will close with a social hour and refreshments. It will be a good opportunity for all members to become better acquainted with the 1948 Directors.

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A hardworking committee, with Don Marquis as chairman has been planning a festive dance in honor of St. Patrick's Day. The dance will be held at the Tourist Club on Saturday, March 20.

The committee is composed of the following members: Art Palmer, Jim and Tiny Black, Stan and Florence Cosca and Vin Spaich.

Rhythmic Hill-billy music will be provided by Johnny Gregory's Five Cow Pokes. Admittance will be \$2.00 per couple for active members and their guests, \$3.00 per couple for non-members.

INVITATIONS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

Several good invitations from other Associations have been received this month. These are:

April 3rd—Follies and Fashion Show, at Scottish Rite Hall, San Francisco, Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. Sponsored by San Francisco Horsemen's Association.

April 4th—Parade, in San Anselmo, Sunday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by Marin County Reserve Police Officers Association. (Trophies will be awarded to winners in unit classifications by competent Military Judges.)

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The February meeting of the Board of Directors was held at the office of Don Marquis. Vice-President Jim Myers presided. Roll call revealed two members absent — Ted Dreyer and Bill Pray.

Mary Gale presented financial statements showing a balance in the treasury of \$585.19. Trail donations account for \$130.00 of this amount. The Trail Blazer statement shows delinquent accounts totaling \$485.00. It was necessary to borrow from the General Fund to pay February printing bills.

Reports from all chairmen were called for. Membership Chairman, Heber James Brown, reported 266 adult members and 66 juniors to date. Plans for a membership drive are being made and a committee appointed.

Activities Chairman, Art Palmer, reported that arrangements for the St. Patrick's Dance, March 20, are being made with Don Marquis as chairman. Don Schwimley suggested that active members in the association be admitted to activities at lower price than non-members. This would stimulate more people to join, and make membership in organization of more obvious value. The idea was discussed, stated in the form of a motion, and passed.

Trail Blazer Editor, Blanche Paul, reported on a meeting of reporters held at her home and announced new reporters for 1948. Don Schwimley, Advertising Manager, reported that Trail Blazer advertising for February totalled \$193.00, which was a \$30.00 increase over January.

Junior Chairman, R. Chris Hansen, has plans for activities for the junior members which really sound good. Horse Show Chairman, Don Marquis, reported that a complete report of plans for 1948 will be given at the Open Forum meeting on March 4.

Chairman for the Wild West Show, Irvin Hansen, reported that the Rangers hope to take over the catering for the breakfast to help make the event profitable for both the Rangers and the MHA this year.

Trails Chairman, A. B. Graham, reported on the meetings held by the Alameda County Trails Committee at Livermore and Hayward which succeeded in changing the proposed route of the State Trail, thereby saving 18 miles of trail and placing it in a more desirable spot.

Mrs. Paul brought up the matter of appointing Board members to represent our association at the Regional meetings of the California State Horsemen's Association. Jim Myers, Don Marquis, and Blanche Paul were appointed.

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The Trails Committee of Alameda County has been very busy the past two months working on plans for that portion of the State Master Riding and Hiking Trail which will pass through our county.

Two meetings have been held, the first at Livermore where Archie Brown led the objection to the proposed location of the trail which would have crossed Alameda County to Livermore.

Mr. Brown, C. J. Clark, W. D. Noia, and Fred Anderson spent a day canvassing the area to find a better route for the trail. Mr. Clark went to the County Board of Supervisors to check on the possibility of using the facilities of the Pleasanton Fairgrounds for an overnight camping place for riders.

Following this groundwork, the committee met at Hayward on January 30, at the Chamber of Commerce building.

At the Hayward meeting, it was proposed that the trail start at the Contra Costa County line near Tassajara road, continue south to Highway #50, on past the Alameda County Fairgrounds at Pleasanton, and south to Santa Clara County line. A motion to that effect was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Noia, and passed unanimously.

Mr. Anderson then appeared before the Alameda County Board of Supervisors who approved the plan, and adopted a resolution calling on the State Division of Parks and Beaches to begin the Alameda County phase of the statewide network of such trails.

Don Nicholson, Vice-President of the 5th Region of the California State Horsemen's Association presided at the meeting at Hayward. Those present at the meeting and the organizations they represented were: E. B. Henley, State Park Roads Purchasing Officer; Bob Eckert and Lloyd Marsh of the Livermore Horsemen's Association; W. D. Noia, C. E. Wise, C. J. Clark, E. K. Stanton and Jack Richards of the Castro Valley Horsemen's Association; Archie Brown, Alameda Sheriff's Posse; Fred Anderson, John L. Corvi and Bernard Weisgerber of the Metropolitan Horsemen's Association; and Alberta Weisgerber and Ashley Corvi of the Lari-ettes.

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Junior Activities

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A full year of pleasure is in store for the junior horsemen, according to R. Chris Hansen, chairman of Junior Activities.

An announcement will appear in the TRAIL BLAZER giving the date of the first meeting. Watch for it. At this time, officers will be elected and plans for the year discussed.

All junior members will be welcomed. Qualifications for membership include (1) an age limit of sixteen years or under (2) an interest in horses and riding.

Rings are already available for Sunday afternoon horse shows. These shows will be planned, directed, judged, and participated in by juniors only. Both English and Western classes will be included.

Barbecues and breakfast rides will also be planned if junior members so desire. Watch for the first meeting date and be sure to turn out.

RIDING GROUP NEWS

The Pegasus Patrol riders of Cressmount celebrated their first big event on the Spring calendar with a Valentine Gymkhana held Wednesday, February 11th.

Winners of the show were: Advanced Jumpers—Kyack, ridden by Vandra Rosendahl; Intermediate Jumpers — Big Rock, ridden by Wilda Rosendahl; Valentine Pairs—Kyack and Noah, ridden by Vandra Rosendahl and Nancy Peppin; Relay Race—won by the Red Team; Double Bareback Lead Race—Indian, ridden by Janet Scott and Phyllis Turner.

At a meeting of Shongehon held Saturday, February 7th, new officers for the Spring Semester were elected as follows: Mollie Mulford, President; Bea Sweet, Secretary; Helen Shafer, Treasurer; Beverly Cron, Publicity Chairman; and Dorothy Gross, Scrapbook Manager.

On Thursday, February 11th, Shongehon held a Treasure Hunt in honor of Lincoln's Birthday. The prizes, consisting of a blue ribbon, a chocolate heart, and a sink brush, were won by Mollie Mulford and Maria De Bonis riding Florian and Kyack.

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Sandra Logue, riding in several events in the show held at the Barbara Worth Stables in Sacramento, February 7th and 8th, emerged as Reserve Champion Rider. Sandra is twelve years old. The Sportsman, bay Thoroughbred owned by Don Evans, was ridden by Sandra in several classes and was also awarded the honor of being Reserve Champion of the show.

Riding The Sportsman, Sandra won 3rd in Green Working Hunters, 3rd in Green Hunters, and 2nd in Green Jumpers.

Riding Snow Storm, Sandra won 4th in Green Jumpers, 5th in Open Jumpers, and 3rd in Western Equitation.

Riding Toy Storm, Sandra won 3rd in Model Showmanship, 1st in Seat and Hands over Jumps, and 2nd in English Equitation.

In Pairs Classes for Working Hunters, Sandra on The Sportsman and Sally Allen on Toy Storm won 3rd; in Hunter Hacks Sandra on Toy Storm and Don Evans on The Sportsman won 4th; in Open Jumpers Sandra on Toy Storm and Don Evans on The Sportsman won 1st.

INTRODUCING NEW JUNIOR MEMBERS

Patricia Morse, a ten-year-old rider at Cressmount, enjoys the jumper Rum Pur in the Beginners' Class on Saturday mornings. Pat attends Crocker Highlands School in Oakland. She is very much interested in outdoor sports, and enjoys ice-skating, as well as horseback riding. Her only house pet is a turtle named Puddles.

Helen Shafer a junior at Piedmont High, is the owner of the big chestnut hunter

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Membership News

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE FORMED, PLANS MADE

The Membership Committee is getting prepared for a drive to include in our organization every person interested in horses in our Metropolitan area, according to the chairman, Heber James Brown.

Elsie Mesquita, secretary of the committee, is spreading enthusiasm, and with active workers in every district and in all the stables, the prospects for membership in 1948 look very encouraging.

An organization meeting has been held, and a committee formed, but all prospective committee members have not as yet been contacted.

Following is a list of the tentative committee: Lefty Bowers, Jim Black, Beverly Cron, Deanne Burton, Stan Cosca, Harold Cummins, Johnnie Curry, Virginia Abel, Irma Fay Brown, Tiny Capriola, C. J. Clark, Sheila Dericg, Lloyd Donaldson, Peggy Day, Jean Finney, Don and Jean Evans, Gus and Elsa Himmelman, Mrs. Walter Finke, Sylvia King, Harold Knudsen, Hugh Lejeal, Bob Lorimer, Bill Patten, Richard Neves, Miss Graham, Helen Speck, Stoney Pierce, Jack Richards, Lucille Simons, Cal Tisher, Bill Noia, Charles Logue, Lila Ray, Willis Nutall, Patricia Meyer, Frank Parrish, George Wagener, Martin Murray, and Henry Matthews.

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Mr. and Mrs. Springer are also dog fanciers. They keep three dogs on the small ranch—Gypsy, a German Shepherd, Captain Springer, a Springer Spaniel (and namesake), and Spotsie, a Toy Fox Terrier.

Peter P. Mesquita, Jr. is Secretary-Treasurer of the General Engineering and Drydock Corporation of San Francisco. He is the father of Elsie Mesquita and financial supporter of his favorite horse, Lady Weston. Although golf takes up most of his weekends, Mr. Mesquita found time to ride "Lady" in the "Daddy's Class" at the Holiday Matinee, at Cressmount. He owns a fine registered Dalmatian, King.

Frank Guilford is the father of Jeanne Guilford. Since Jeanne has been attending college at Davis, Mr. Guilford has been doing a little exercising out in Walnut Creek where Silver Queen, Jeanne's seven-year-old Palomino mare is stabled. Jeanne, a former student of Miss Grahams, has been a member of M.H.A. for many years.

The household pets are Penny, a parti-colored Cocker Spaniel, seen on the trails, and Frankie, the Siamese cat.

Mrs. Wm. Older tells us her hobby is "horses, of course!" and that she enjoys riding Kerry, a twelve-year-old Pinto. Both she and her husband ride every Saturday and Sunday without fail. They stable their four horses at the Shrine Ranger's Stable.

The Olders have two grown daughters—one is married and the other is a student at Davis. The household pet is Mitzie, the family cat.

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Robert C. Abbey, employed by the Tri-Motor Service, no longer owns the two horses he stabled at the Diamond B Ranch. However, Mr. Abbey has not lost interest in horses and our "Metropolitan" activities, for he is in hopes of riding his own horse again very soon.

TRAIL DONATIONS

When sending in their dues, the following members also included a contribution to the Trail Fund:

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Pacific Flight, a grandson of Man O'War. She stables her horse at Cressmount.

Helen's secret ambition is to become a private secretary and interpreter for a Latin-American representative in one of the "South of the Border" countries.

Peggy Day, a twelve-year-old rider at Cressmount, is active in the Pegasus Patrol, Subalterns, and the Sunday Morning Jumping Class. Her favorite mount is Trinity Tim. Peggy has been riding about two years. She started jumping about a year ago and has fourteen ribbons to her credit already.

Peggy attends the Lady of the Lourdes School near Lake Merritt.

Barbara Campbell, a student at Piedmont High, stables her horse, Black Velvet, at Leroy Tarr's Stable near Woodminster. Her constant trail companion is Rangler, Australian Shephard, who is deaf and partially blind. He is the devoted friend of Velvet, Barbara's nine-year-old mare.

Upon graduation, Barbara plans to attend U. C. at Davis and major in Animal Husbandry.

Sheila Derieg, a freshman at Piedmont High, has been riding at Cressmount for two of her fourteen years. She is a member of "Junior" Shongehon, and her favorite mount is Big Rock. After completing her high school education, she plans to attend the University of California.

Donald Bjornson, nephew of Heber Brown, does most of his riding with the Browns in the Temescal Region. Don, who is sixteen-years of age, attends Berkeley High, where he plays a great deal of basketball, although he claims that horses are his hobby. He is the owner of a little parti-colored Cocker Spaniel, named Sugar.

Jerry Lincoln, who has been riding for two of his nine years, is the proud owner of a seven-year-old pony called Susie. They ride the trails on Skyline and in the Park. Jerry attends the Redwood Heights School and his ambition is to become a doctor.

Joey C. Cosca, a fifteen-year-old student at the Bret Harte Jr. High School, is unmounted at the present but expects to have a new horse soon. He is very active in calf roping and other "cowpoke" activities.

Although "Radio" is his hobby, upon graduating from school Joey plans to go into partnership with his father, who is in the automobile business.

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AT THE PIEDMONT STABLES

Flash! Bill and Virginia Patten are the happy parents of a baby daughter who weighed seven pounds one ounce at birth. Her name is Linda Elaine Patten.

Count Lynn, the good Hunter, which belongs to Don Marquis, was among the winners at Barbara Worth's Horse Show in Sacramento. Count Lynn ridden by fourteen year old Carol Chaney won first in Working Hunter Pairs. The other member of the pair was Indio, which is owned by T. C. Wood.

The same pair won third in Pair of Jumpers in the Ring, and Second in Hunter Hacks, Pairs.

The members of the Piedmont Stable have been enjoying the unusual sunny January weather, and the horses have been getting lots of needed exercise.

Walter Leatham bought a nice little sorrel mare for his wife Pearle. The new mare is a match for his Quarterbred mare Waspie. Walter also has purchased a large lot on Pansy Hill, close to Jack Tann's stable. With good luck the two mares will someday have a brand new barn to live in.

Arthur Denton, one of Piedmont's steady riders, bought a new horse from Frank Parish. A proud chestnut Morab gelding.

Julie Wilson, one of our new members, has made arrangements to take over Doctor John O'Hanneson's home and stable sometime in March, when Doctor O'Hanneson moves to his ranch. Julie Wilson will take a few horses to board in addition to her own mount.

AT THE PRIVATE STABLES

The Menicuccis have a Pinto colt which was foaled February 3 at their Flying H Stables. He is out of a Quarter type Pinto mare, which Harry and Geneva bought in Clovis, New Mexico, last July. The sire of the colt is a registered Quarter stallion named Hereford.

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Albert, a black gelding, Lucky, a Pinto gelding and Sassie Lassie, a Pinto filly, have moved into their new quarters, as have their respective owners, Andy Leonhardt, Alma Leonhardt and Don Carter. At 2289 Melvin Road.

Andy has constructed a fine three box stall barn, with hay room, tackroom and paddocks. Of course, Alma, Andy, and Don have a very nice house to live in too.

Jerry Hansen is taking riding and jumping lessons at Cressmont and is looking forward to the spring Shows.

Hampton Ford, has just brought his five gaited Saddlebred stallion, Pandora's Supreme back to his home, Pemford Lodge. Pandora's Supreme has been in training at the Stable of Mr. Earl Farshler in Livermore.

Mrs. Rose Springer finally found the horse she has been searching for. Pal O'Mine is an attractive four-year-old mare. The Springers have expanded their stabling facilities to accomodate three horses.

Janice Kenyon won three blue ribbons and one second, with her beautiful Thoroughbred Hunter, Long Timber, at Barbara Worth's Sacramento Horse Show.

She won first in Working Hunters Cross Country, First in Green Conformation Cross Country, First in Working Hunters in the ring and Second in a Hackamore class.

AT THE OAKLAND STABLE

The Oakland barn has a new coat of white paint. As Mauri Rogers undertook the job all by himself, it has been a three months' project.

Pat Wendland has a nice bay mare, a gift from Dr. Linfoot of San Francisco. The mare has been named Cinderella.

Sunday is open house at the Oakland. Hal and Lee Reiter, who own Peasant Girl and Bonnie Lass, donated the giant coffee pot which is kept brewing, and refreshments are served to all.

Bobby De Vebiss spent a week vacationing at Coronado. Bobby is one of the few people in this area who own a registered Tennessee Walking horse.

The Thursday night group celebrated with a Weiner roast and trimmings after a recent ride. Among the twenty-one who attended were the new boarders Ed and Phyl Hill, Larry Brock, Pat Wendland, and her father, Ralph Wendland.

The group also celebrated a night away from the barn by dining and dancing at "Our House".

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WITH THE LEONA RIDERS

The Leona Riders' business meeting was held at the Brown's Canyon Ranch during February. The new officers elected are; Don Phelps President; Lee Fowler, Vice President; Opal Brown, Secretary; Margarete Phelps, Treasurer; and Millicent Goldt, reporter for the Trail Blazer.

Plans for 1948 will include Breakfast Rides, Excursion Rides, and Barbecues. Also the reorganization of the Leona Riders Drill Team. The first Activity will be the customary President's Ball, at which the 1948 officers are seated.

The Leona Riders have accepted sixteen new members. They are; Bonnie Pachell, Jack Dorn, Herb Funk, June Funk, Tom Watson Miriam Watson John Capriola, Tiny Capriola Gary Suggs, Charlie Suggs, Tedda Beyler, Bill Barnard, Dolly Wheeler, Ronnie Dunnway and Kay Grover.

AT THE NEVES STABLES

A "newcomer" and an "old timer" are at the Neves Barn.

Dr. Goodfellow, the newcomer, purchased a very nice bay mare, Sally, from another boarder Mr. F. Bundy, who also owns Traveller, a fine Saddlebred. The old timer, Bea McKechnie and Rhythm, a beautiful chestnut Saddlebred mare are back. Bea says its a lot more fun owning just a pleasure horse than a Show horse, and a lot less work.

Tedda Beyler brought her Thoroughbred, Stormy, a good jumper, back recently and is working him daily getting ready for the show season.

The other boarders are not so fortunate as to be able to ride every day but are faithful weekend riders.

Babe, owned by the Phillips, certainly is a pleasure to both Mrs. Phillips and daughter Janet.

Jim Wheeler, one of our Veterans has a swell time on Red, and Mr. Carney and Mrs. Cowell on Smokey and Fury, are seen on the trails early on Sunday mornings.

Richard Neves plans to finish the fine ring he has started as soon as the weather permits.

Sylvia King is bringing in two more jumpers on completion of the ring.

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AT CRESSMOUNT

Have you heard the good news about Upson Downs? This adult riding group has been reorganized, and, from all indications, will once again become the pride of Cressmount!

The Club was organized in 1936. Of the original group there are only three left: Margo Brewer, Upson Downs' first treasurer, Gia Abel, and Jim Ormond.

Other members of the group are: Bud Bahnsen, Colleen Chilson, Mary Gale, Win Johnson, Betty and Ellsworth Le Boyteaux, Lorraine Lacerda, Mary Lou Hutton, Don Marquis, Bob McCarty, Willis Nuttall, Don Schwimley, Gene Southard, John and Phyllis Theil, Tedda Beyler, and Sue Bixner.

The second chase, sponsored by the Cressmount Chase riders, was held on Sunday afternoon, January 18th. Like an authentic "chase", this one was complete with foxes, impersonated by Mary Lou Hutton and Jim Ormond.

The field jumps and hazards were prepared by an able crew of Field Masters composed of Bob McCarty, Bud Bahnsen, Bob White and Elsie Mesquita.

The huntsmen were: Lorraine Lacerda, Bob McCarty, John and Phyllis Theil, Dede Brandes, Sally Allen, Marilyn Shaw, Bud Bahnsen, Ethel Kartholl, Sylvia King, Sandra Logue, Willis Nuttall, Jim Ormond, Elsie Mesquita, Tedda Beyler, Mary Lou Hutton, Win Johnson, Miss Cress, Margaret Johnson, Lee Foster, and Windy Smith, the youngest rider in the group, who proved his ability as a cross-country rider. Colleen Chilson, mounted on Alex, was Official Photographer of the Chase.

The newest group to be organized at Cressmount are the mothers of Cressmount riders, who have formed the Ladies Class for the specific purpose of "being prepared"—just in case they are asked to participate in a riding event at some future show. They remember well the pained expressions worn by the fathers who rode in the Fathers' Class at the Holiday Matinee.

Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Fairchild have worked hard to organize the class. It has developed into the following well turned out group of riders who meet every Wednesday morning: Mesdames J. A. Anderson, G. A. Barr, James Berryhill, B. A. Carson, C. H. Fairchild, C. W. Fawcett, T. T. Inch, P. G. Lasky, W. E. Ruter, G. T. Root, D. A. Scott, J. Windrim Smith, and E. E. Tresenthaler.

El Toro, a sturdy brown Thoroughbred gelding, is the newest member of the Cressmount school string. He certainly gives his riders good cross-country rides! That nice brown Thoroughbred colt by Panic Relief now at Cressmount has been named Flying Disk.

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Every Friday afternoon, Tom and Jerry Hansen can be found in the Umbrella Ring learning the fundamentals of flat saddle riding. 'Tis said that they enjoy the rest periods greatly; however, both boys are really progressing rapidly, and we should see them riding with one of the regular groups very soon.

The newest boarder at Cressmount is Murietta Bronze, a nice golden Saddlebred gelding owned by Jane Wood.

AT THE AAHMES RANGER'S STABLE

The Aahmes Rangers held their annual election of officers on Tuesday, January 13, 1948. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Fred Bemis, was unanimously re-elected Captain; William Older, President; William Ludolph, Vice President; Emmett Boger, Secretary; and Floyd Jacobs, Treasurer.

Jack Simons was the proud recipient of a black and white piebald gelding and a silver mounted saddle, presented to him on Christmas morning by his parents Si and Lucille.

Si Simons is the new owner of the handsome brown and white pinto gelding Mucho Grande.

Jerry Jacobs received a silver mounted saddle from his parents, Floyd and Ella.

After a short rest period the Rangers have again resumed Drill Practice. The new formations worked out by Captain Fred Bemis are going smoothly.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gede, Jr. entertained about ninety guests on Saturday evening, January 10, giving a very lovely dinner party at their home in honor of the Rangers. Henry was the hard working president of 1947.

WITH THE LARI-ETTES

The new officers elected by the Lari-ettes for 1948 were Geneva Menicucci, re-elected President; Alberta Weisgerber, Vice-President; Joann Munson, Secretary; Carmel Himmelman, Assistant Secretary; Florence Cosca, Treasurer; and Margaret Eppse, Assistant Treasurer.

Margaret Rukavina, Ashley Corvi and Norma Burton were elected Trustees. Margaret Rukavina will again be Parade Captain, and Norma Burton her Assistant.

Albertine Cosca was elected Publicity Chairman. Her Assistants are Judy White, Margaret Eppse, Margaret Talstrom and Elsa Himmelman.

New members were introduced to the Lari-ettes at their January Social, held at the Pinto Ranch Club House. They are; Marilyn Smith, who owns the Pinto mare, Mayari-R, Bucky Johnstone who rides Tarda, Dorothy Kaehler who rides Randy, Norma Burton who owns O'Malley and Cover Girl. Gene Jackson who rides King, and Joyce Leidsen, who owns Bessie.

WITH THE ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE

The Alameda County Sheriff's Posse re-elected E. J. Carey and Art Palmer as their Captain and First Lieutenant, respectively, at their December meeting. Chairmen for the coming year are; Activites, A. Brown; Attendance, Larry Lovier; By-Laws, Dr. Max Boe; Drill, Walter Blumert; Greeters, Bill Senecal; Grievance, Art Palmer; Membership, Rod Williams; Publicity, Jim Myers; Uniforms, Cal Tisher.

The Posse and Posse Band made its initial appearance of the new year at Livermore, California, Sunday, January 25th. They were participants in the Livermore Eagle's mammoth celebration and parade. Incidentally, the Alameda County Sheriff's Posse makes a very colorful parade unit with their newly acquired Posse Band, composed of approximately forty-two fine musicians.

The Posse and Band plan to appear in San Francisco in the Saint Patrick's Day Parade, Sunday, March 14.

The Posse held its annual dinner honoring the Alameda County Supervisors and Sheriff Jack Gleason at Pland's Villa, San Leandro, on February 14, 1948.

WITH THE BOOTS AND JEANS

All members of the Boots and Jeans Club are looking forward to the annual Dinner Dance to be held in March.

The Parade group, under the Captaincy of Lefty Bowers is shaping up nicely. Banners, flags and arm insignias are being prepared for coming parades and horse shows.

Earl Tobey, past president, fell from his horse and broke his arm on Christmas day. Roper, his registered Quarter horse, isn't quite the type to ride sans everything but a halter. However, as soon as Earl gets his arm out of the cast we expect to see him up again, but with full gear.

President Whitey Dueel recently returned from a business trip to Leavenworth, Kansas, and when asked about the weather, his only comment was — Brrrrrr.

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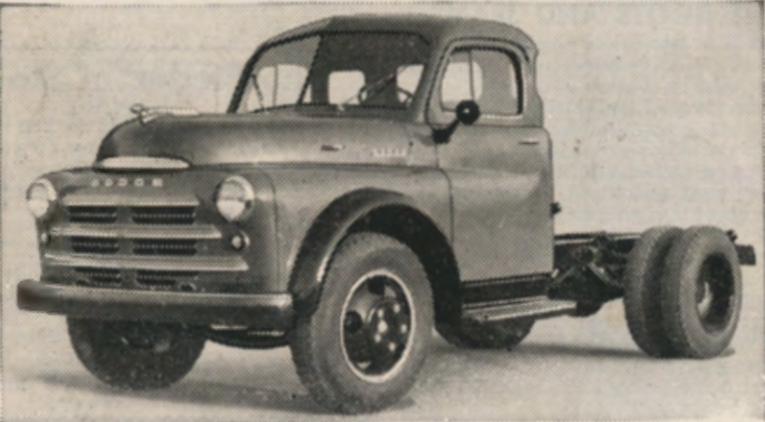
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